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## \$200 REWARD CONTINUES FOR OLD EXHUMED HDPE CONDUIT

IRVING, Texas - Nov. 30, 2020 - The \$200.00 reward for exhumed high-density polyethylene (HDPE) conduit is continuing until at least the end of the year, according to the Power & Communications Division (PCD) of the Plastics Pipe Institute, Inc. (PPI). Part of an ongoing research project to demonstrate the longevity of HDPE conduit, the reward will go to the samples that are selected for testing. PPI is the major trade association representing the plastic pipe industry.

“We’re looking to increase our collection of HDPE conduit that has been used for 15 years or longer,” stated Patrick Vibien, P, Eng., director of engineering for the PCD. “Buried conduit from carrying power cables of any voltage, telecommunications lines or fiber-optics is eligible. The conduit print line will indicate the year of manufacture. Any diameter or SDR is useful and a length of 8 to 20 feet is sufficient. HDPE conduit is flexible, available in long lengths and in various colors – not to be confused with rigid PVC conduit, which is typically gray.”

More information is available at <https://plasticpipe.org/power-comm/pcd-hdpe-sample.html>. Contact Patrick Vibien, P.Eng., Director of Engineering, Power & Communications Division, at [pvibien@plasticpipe.org](mailto:pvibien@plasticpipe.org) or 469-499-1048 to submit samples.

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